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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL
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Applicant: Woo, et al. Examiner: Thomas Sweet
Serial No.: 10/004504 Group Art Unit: 3738
Filed: October 26, 2001 Docket No.: 01610.0102-US-01
Title: VALVED PROSTHESIS WITH POROUS SUBSTRATE

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01 FC:1801 1. This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

2. The following are submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

- a. ☐ Previously Submitted

☐ Amendment/Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on
☐ Appeal Brief previously filed on
☐ Reply Brief previously filed on
☐ Other

- b. ☒ Enclosed

☒ Amendment Accompanying Request for Continued Examination Under 37 CFR § 1.114
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
☐ Information Disclosure Statement
☒ Petition for Further Extension of Time
☒ Other: Fee Calculation Worksheet

3. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months.
b. ☐ Other:

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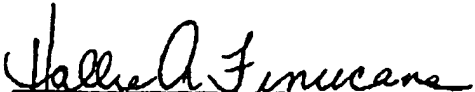
c. ☐ Payment is made via credit card. (Form PTO-2038 is enclosed)**d. ☒ Authorization is hereby given to charge any fees that relate to the filing of this RCE and are necessary to avoid abandonment of this application, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account Number 50-1038. If an extension of time for replying is necessary, the undersigned hereby petitions therefor.**

Respectfully submitted,

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